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<div><p>Department of Veterans Affairs</p><p>Office of Inspector General</p><p>COMBINED ASSESSMENT PROGRAM REVIEW</p><p>EDWARD HINES, JR. VA HOSPITAL HINES, IL</p><p>Report No. 99-00173-18 Date: November 22, 1999</p><p>Office of Inspector General Washington DC 20330</p><p>FULLY-REDACTED ELECTRONIC COPY FOR PUBLIC RELEASE</p></div>	<div><p>MEMORANDUM</p><p>Date: October 14, 1999</p><p>From: Hines OR/PAR Committee & Surgical Service Chief (112)</p><p>Subj: Staffing Statistics: Resident Supervision, OR Nurse & Anesthesia Staffing and Waiting List</p><p>To: Director (00) COS (11) Chairman, QIT Committee (11A)</p><p>1. Attachment #1: Attending Surgeon supervision of Surgery Residents in the OR FY-99. During the period of October 1, 1998 through September 30, 1999 (annual report for FY-99), a total of 4149 supervised procedures were documented in the OR. Of that number, attending surgery staff performed (level 0) 378 cases (9.1%); the attending surgeon was scrubbed in the OR (level 1) in 2014 cases (48.5%); the attending was in the OR suite (level 2) in cases (1021 (24.7%); the attending surgeon was immediately available (level 3) in 733 cases (17.7%); and the level of supervision was not recorded in 1 cases (0.02%). In the summations of levels 0, 1, and 2, the attending physicians were physically involved in the OR during the procedures in approximately 82.3% (3415) of the cases.</p><p>2. Attachment #2: OR Nurse and Anesthesia Staffing Report. For the period of 9/28/98 through 9/30/99 (FY-99 staffing summary), the annual totals and averages are attached: the average number of hours per room per day was 5.20 hours with the average staffing limitations of 6-10 rooms with 2852 cases being performed during this period.</p><p>Also attached is the ongoing monthly summary for September, 1999 including the total number of cases monthly performed, the number of rooms staffable by the Nursing Staff and Anesthesia Staff, the total number of hours utilized monthly in the OR, and finally the average hours per day and the average hours per room per day that were staffed during the reporting monthly. During the last monthly reporting period between 8/30/99 through 9/30/99 the average number of hours per room per day was 5.23 hours with the average staffing limitations of 5-17 rooms with 230 cases being performed during this period. (During this period, several cases were canceled or rescheduled due to a shortage of anesthesia personnel.)</p><p>3. Attachment #3: OR case workload pending. At present time, that which is attached is the pending workload of services that have been reported as</p></div>	<div><p>APPENDIX IV</p><p>information to the Surgical Service. As of 10/5/99, there are 342 cases pending with the average scheduling time somewhere in October, 1999.</p><p>4. Attachment #4: Hines VAH Surgical Service OR/PAR Committee Meeting, September 1, 1999.</p><p>Steven DeLong, M.D., F.A.C.S. Chairman, OR/PAR Committee</p><p>Charles H. Andrus, M.D., F.A.C.S. Chief, Surgical Service</p></div>
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